



Pittsfield State Forest

Department of Conservation and Recreation

JULY—AUGUST 2022 PROGRAMS

All Programs are free and open to the public. An adult must accompany children. Reasonable accommodations available upon request. All programs: dress for outdoor activity and weather; wear sturdy footwear; bring a snack, water, sunscreen and bug spray. A <u>parking fee</u> may apply. Please follow all current COVID guidelines; visit <u>Mass.gov/COVID</u>. For more information call **(413) 442-8992**.

SATURDAYS & SUNDAYS

NATURE CENTER OPEN HOUSE, SATURDAYS, 12:00—2:00 p.m.

SUNDAYS, 1:00—3:00 p.m.

All ages. Come on down! The Park Interpreter offers hands-on nature displays, park information, and recommendations for your visit. Explore the story of the Civilian Conservation Corps. **Meet at Nature Center, Lulu Cascade day-use area.**

THURSDAY July 14 & August 11 JUNIOR RANGER PROGRAM, 10:00 a.m.—12:00 p.m.

For ages 8—12. Junior Rangers is a fun discovery of the state parks while learning outdoor skills. Seven week program at different state parks. **Park locations change each week**. **Program meets at this park on dates noted.** Parents or guardians required to attend. Click **here** for more info about all

dates and locations, or call the park: (413) 442-8992

FRIDAYS

DISCOVER PITTSFIELD STATE FOREST, 6:00—7:00 p.m. Campers, come visit the Park Interpreter. Discover more about what to do here during your stay. Explore nature artifacts. **Meet at table outside the Campground Restroom**, **Bishop's**

Field Cross Road.

SATURDAYS

NATURE HIKE, 10:00—11:30 a.m.

All ages. Easy, guided one to two-mile hike reveals the natural wonders of the state forest. Trail routes and topic vary each week. **Meet at the Nature Center, Lulu Cascade day-use area.**

SATURDAYS

BERRY MOUNTAIN SUNSET, 7:00—8:00 p.m.

All ages. Join the Park Interpreter to enjoy a panoramic view and the setting sun. Discover the story behind Berry Mountain and Pond. **Meet at the Scenic Lookout off Circuit Road.**

PROGRAMS CONTINUED ON OTHER SIDE

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SATURDAYS

MOUNTAIN MYSTERY HIKE, 4:00-6:00 p.m.

Recommended ages teen and up. Curious mysteries hide in these hills. Unravel a different story each week. Easy to moderate Park Interpreter-guided hike. **Locations change, see below.**

July 9: Balance Rock.

Story of this fascinating megalith. Meet at parking lot at Balance Rock State Park, Lanesborough.

July 23: Shaker Mountain.

Story of the curious Hancock Shakers. Visit the Holy Ground. Meet at U.S. Route 20 pull-off, opposite Hancock Shaker Village, in Hancock.

Aug. 13: Hike to Pine Mountain.

Scenic views west into NY State. Strenuous ability. Meet at parking lot at Berry Pond comfort station.

Aug. 27: Hike to Tilden Pond.

Encounter Big Bill beaver. Meet at parking lot at Berry Pond comfort station.

SUNDAYS

WANDERING WOODS HIKE, 10:00-11:30 a.m.

For all ages. Easy, mile-long hike. Meet huge trees, or perhaps encounter wildlife. **Meet at the Ski Lodge.**

SPECIAL EVENTS

SATURDAY

OWL PROWL, 7:00-8:30 p.m.

August 27

All ages. Discover more about this nocturnal raptor. Take a short, easy walk to call out to Barred Owls. **Meet at the Ski Lodge.**

SATURDAY

CENTENNIAL CELEBRATION, 9:30 a.m.—noon

September 3

Celebrate 100 years of Pittsfield State Forest! Light refreshments, historic images, reading of the Governor's Proclamation, brief salutations. Following, take a short hike to the historic Ghost and Shadow Ski Trails. **Meet at the Ski Lodge.**

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